HALL COUNTY BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MEETING MARCH 12, 2002

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Lancaster called the Board of Corrections meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT – Present for the meeting were Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Richard Hartman, Bob Humiston, Pamela Lancaster and Lonnie Logan. Bud Jeffries was absent. Also present were Corrections Director Dave Arnold and Assistant Director Todd Wink.

11:07 a.m. Logan made a motion and Humiston seconded to go into a Board of Corrections meeting. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

CORRECTIONS DIRECTORS REPORT – Corrections Director Dave Arnold was present. He reported that they have 612 people booked in the last two months and the daily average is 139 inmates, which is an increase. There were 1200 charges which averages out to be two charges for each inmate. Logan asked how many the jail is rated at and Dave stated we are rated for 125 to 130 inmates. Hall County is not holding any out of county inmates and they are only holding one or two INS inmates and they are usually only held overnight. Arnold stated that we may have INS inmates but they are there on local charges. If the jail were rated at the current jail standards that number would be cut in half.

This Thursday will be leadership tomorrow justice day and he will be addressing the adult and youth leadership tomorrow groups.

He reported that he received a letter from the State Department of Correctional Services stating that they will reimburse the county at \$35.00 a day. That does not pay the entire cost but it helps. The state had budgeted \$480,000,000.00 for reimbursements for this session and to date they have spent \$2,100,000.00 so there are funds left. Dave stated that he is now billing them monthly with the hope that he will receive payments. If the state does not have funding for the reimbursements it would take legislative action to pay last years money. Hall county is averaging about \$30,000.00 per month for holding state inmates.

Arnold thanked his staff for doing a great job with all of the incidents over the last few weeks.

Dave stated that he, Scott Arnold and Jerry Janulewicz attended a three-day program in Kearney on various jail issues. He stated that is was very educational. They received a certificate from the workshop. Dave presented Scott Arnold with his certificate.

Lancaster stated that is has been a difficult two weeks and thanked Dave and his staff. She also thanked Dave for addressing the funds that are owed to the county from the State.

Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the minutes of the January Corrections meeting. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston and Lancaster all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Logan was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSONNEL – Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go into executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston and Lancaster all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Logan was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

11:20 a.m. executive session

11:35 a.m. Logan made a motion and Arnold seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

11:36 a.m. Logan made a motion and Humiston seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

Returned to regular session.

Marla J. Conley, Hall County Clerk